

Serial No. 10/036,231
Docket CT-DST-1

DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION

We, CHARLES W. SCOUTEN, JAMES G. UNNERSTALL, and BRIAN J. FORINASH, hereby declare that we are citizens of the United States and residents of the cities listed below next to our signatures. We further declare that we have read and understand the specification and claims in the patent application entitled STEREOTAXIC MANIPULATOR WITH RETROFITTED LINEAR SCALES AND DIGITAL DISPLAY DEVICE, which was filed on December 24, 2001 and which was given serial number 10/036,231, and we verily believe we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the invention or discovery described and claimed therein; that we do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application; that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application; that we acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56(a); that we do not claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC 119 of any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate; and that no foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by us or our legal representatives or assigns. We do not claim the benefit, under 35 USC 120, of any prior United States application.

We further declare that all statements made of our own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and that we have been warned that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

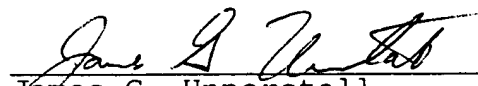
And we hereby appoint Patrick D. Kelly (PTO Reg. 30,650), 11939 Manchester #403, St. Louis, MO 63131, as our attorney to prosecute this application and to transact all business connected therewith in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and in any patent office of any foreign nation, state, or organization.

WHEREFORE, we pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.



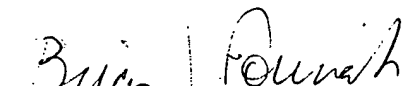
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